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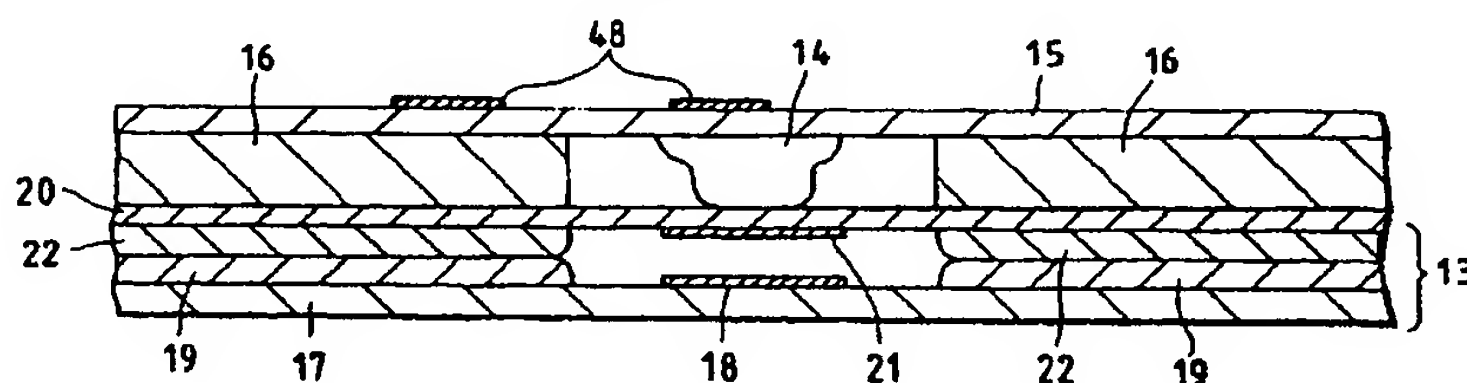
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(54) **Illuminated switch unit**

(57) In an illuminated switch unit, a switch operating  
projection (14) is provided on the reverse surface of an  
EL lighting element (15) and this EL lighting element  
(15) is fixed above a membrane switch (13) via spacer

(16), thereby removing any obstacles interrupting or  
intercepting illumination light emitted from EL lighting  
element (15).

**FIG. 6**



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